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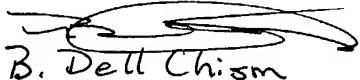
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1. The amendment, filed on 16 July 2004, amending pending claims under consideration is non-responsive wherein the amendments to claim 1 removed limitations originally presented which served as the basis of the search (MPEP § 821.03). Specifically, Applicants deleted the specific protecting groups to which the claim and search was originally limited.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

  
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